



SPORT INTEGRITY
AUSTRALIA



NATIONAL INTEGRITY FRAMEWORK

COMPETITION MANIPULATION AND SPORT GAMBLING POLICY

This Policy is designed to keep sport fair by protecting sporting competitions from competition manipulation (also known as match-fixing) and associated betting activity.

The Policy includes definitions of Prohibited Conduct regarding sports betting and competition manipulation, provides direction on how to report concerns, and sets out best practice for National Sporting Organisations when sharing information and entering into commercial arrangements with Wagering Service Providers (WSP).

Since the manipulation of a sporting competition may also be a criminal act, this Policy is also designed to protect all members of sport from misconduct captured under legislation.







Who does this Policy apply to?

The Policy applies to everyone involved in sport including participants, athletes, employees, coaches, officials, contractors and support personnel at all levels, from the national level through to club sport.



Prohibited Conduct

The following conduct constitutes a breach of the Policy:

-  **Changing the result (or the course) of a sporting event in order to remove the unpredictable nature of the event for your own benefit, or the benefit of others.**
For example, deliberately losing the first half of a game to win a bet.
-  **Betting on any event in your sport**, regardless of whether you are competing or participating in that specific event.
-  **Disclosing inside information which is not publicly available** that could influence a person's decision to bet on the sporting event.
-  **Providing or attempting to provide a benefit for a breach of policy.** For example: offering to pay a sum of money to commit fouls on purpose
-  **Failing to promptly report any information in relation to competition manipulation**, including approaches to fix an event, bribe offers, or blackmail threats.
-  **Being complicit in any Prohibited Conduct**, including not reporting any reasonable suspicions about others.

The full definitions of Prohibited Conduct are available in the Competition Manipulation and Sports Gambling Policy.



What is the reporting process?

Activity that may be criminal or would constitute Prohibited Conduct under this Policy **must** be reported to the National Sporting Organisation's National Integrity Manager, and any other entity as required by law.

Potential Prohibited Conduct should also be reported to your sport.

Visit the integrity page on your sport's website, or contact your sport's National Integrity Manager to find out how.

What happens if someone commits a breach of this Policy?

Any alleged Prohibited Conduct that is reported will be dealt with under the Complaints Disputes and Discipline Policy. This could result in a sanction ranging from a warning or mandatory education to a ban from sport. Criminal conduct will be managed outside of this process by law enforcement.

Sporting Organisations' responsibilities

National Sporting Organisations should inform Sport Integrity Australia of information they receive that might be relevant to Sport Integrity Australia's ongoing work protecting sport from integrity issues related to competition manipulation and sports wagering, including information from WSPs.

Members of a sport (including sporting clubs/ organisations) should not enter into commercial, advertising or sponsorship agreements with a WSP without the permission of their National Sporting Organisation.

Disclaimer

This fact sheet does not replace the National Integrity Framework Competition Manipulation and Sport Gambling Policy. The Policy applies and overrules this fact sheet in any instances.

